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Jamestown – Pipestem Reservoir - April 28, 2011

JAMESTOWN, N.D. – This afternoon, Thursday, April 28, reservoir releases were increased at Jamestown Reservoir from 1550 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 1575 cfs. At Pipestem Reservoir, releases were held at 200 cfs. Including runoff within the city of Jamestown, these releases result in a flow of approximately 1800 cfs at the James River at Jamestown stream gage.

Over the next several days, releases will be held at approximately these levels. Small changes in releases may be made if rainfall runoff occurs within the city of Jamestown.

An additional stream gage on the James River has been installed by the U.S. Geological Survey on the 5th Street bridge in Jamestown. Hourly river level readings at this stream gage are available on the U.S. Geological Survey website at <http://nd.water.usgs.gov/floodinfo/james.html>.

Residents along the James River in Jamestown should continue to monitor conditions along the James River and take necessary actions to prevent flood damages.

Jamestown city officials should be contacted at 701-252-5900 ext. 126 if assistance is needed to determine height requirements for protective measures. If assistance is needed after regular business hours, please contact Stutsman County Communications at 701-252-1000. Sandbags and sand are available from Stutsman County at the Stutsman County Road Department from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

At Jamestown Reservoir, the reservoir pool is forecast to reach levels between 1451.0 to 1451.7 feet mean sea level (msl). At Pipestem Reservoir, the reservoir pool is forecast to reach levels between 1484.5 to 1489.0 feet msl.

Daily Information Update

Jamestown Reservoir:

- Current reservoir level – 1,450.8 feet (0.2 foot increase in last 24 hours)
(April 27 pool level of 1450.9 was wind-affected, and was 0.3 feet higher than average pool level)
- Forecast reservoir level – 1451.0 to 1451.7 feet around May 1
- Current reservoir Inflow – 2,250 cfs
- Current reservoir Release – 1,575 cfs
- Amount of flood control storage occupied – 78%

Pipestem Reservoir:

- Current reservoir level – 1,483.3 feet (0.4 foot increase in last 24 hours)
- Forecast reservoir level – 1484.5 to 1489.0 feet around May 15
- Current reservoir Inflow – 1,175 cfs
- Current reservoir Release – 200 cfs
- Amount of flood control storage occupied – 61%

Stream gage on James River (Upstream of I-94 Bridge):

- Current flow rate – 1,780 cfs
- Current river stage – 11.6 feet
- Flood stage – 12 feet

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